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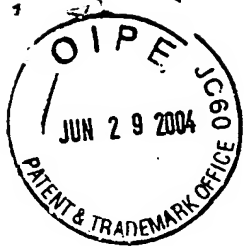
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Under 37 CFR §1.98(d), if a patent, publication or other information listed in the attached PTO-1449 was previously cited by or submitted to the Office in a prior application, a copy is not being provided. For the examiner's convenience, an asterisk is placed beside the reference(s) we are not providing a copy of.

Applicants identify the priority application as Serial No. 10/026,870, filed December 20, 2001, now US Patent No. 6,749,624 (Attorney docket no. 39238-0760).

Applicants respectfully request that the listed information be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the above-identified application. The Examiner is requested to initial and return the PTO-1449 in accordance with MPEP §609.

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